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REMARKS

Claims 50-57 are pending in the subject application. No claim has been added, canceled or amended herein. Accordingly, claims 50-57 are still pending and under examination.

In view of the arguments set forth below, applicant maintains that the Examiner's objections and rejections made in the March 30, 2005 Office Action have been overcome, and respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw same.

Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 50-57 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly unpatentable over claims 91-98 of copending Application No. 09/980,572.

In response, but without conceding the correctness of the Examiner's rejection, applicant submits herewith as **Exhibit 1** a Terminal Disclaimer signed by an authorized officer of the assignee of record, The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York. Accordingly, applicant maintains that the obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claims 50-57 has been obviated.

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Summary

Applicant maintains that the claims pending are in condition Accordingly, allowance for allowance. is respectfully requested.

If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing subject application, prosecution of the applicant's undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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